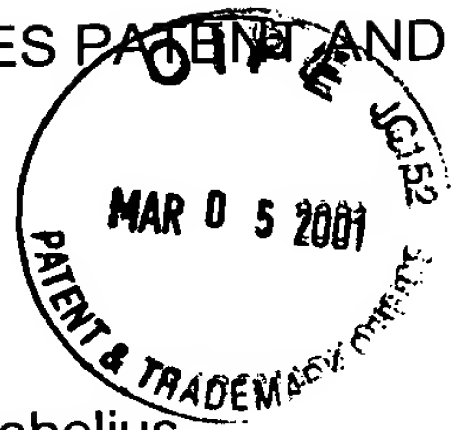


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Examiner: Karl Tamai
Applicant: Stephen A. Debelius
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For: **ARMATURE SHAFT RETAINER**



NOTICE OF APPEAL

AND REQUEST FOR ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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By W.R. [Signature]

Dear Sir:

This is an appeal to the Board of Appeals from the final rejection of the Primary Examiner rejecting Claims 1-4, 6-11, 13-18, 20 and 21.

[X] Please consider this also a petition pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for a one month extension in the time for responding to the final rejection. The necessary fee indicated below is enclosed.

A fee calculated as follows is enclosed:

Appeal Fee	\$ 310.00
Extension Fee	110.00
Total Non-Small Entity	420.00
Reduction by one-half for Small entity	
[] Verified Statement enclosed.	
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- [] A check is enclosed to cover the fees as calculated above.
- [✓] The fees calculated above are to be charged to Deposit Account No. 02-2548. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

If for some reason applicant has not requested a sufficient extension of time and/or has not paid a sufficient fee necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, please consider this as a Request for an Extension for the required time period and/or authorization to charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2548 for any extension of time fee which may be due.

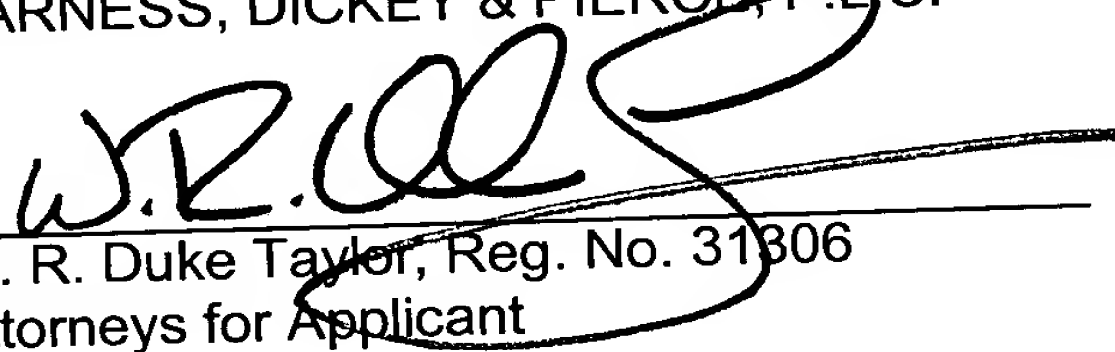
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 02-2548. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: February 26, 2001

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